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WASHINGTON, D.C. -- In response to House Communications and Technology Subcommittee Chairman Greg Walden releasing a [discussion draft of legislation](#) to reauthorize the Satellite Television Extension and Localism Act (STELA), the following statement can be attributed to NAB President and CEO Gordon Smith:

"NAB is extremely encouraged by the discussion draft circulated today by House Republicans under the leadership of Chairmen Upton and Walden. Although we were hopeful for a clean bill from the Committee, the product put out today is legislation NAB is pleased to support.

"NAB appreciates lawmakers' recognition that the FCC should look at broadcaster sharing agreements in the context of a holistic review of media ownership rules before taking any action on the issue. We look forward to continuing to work with both Republicans and Democrats in the House and Senate as reauthorization of STELA is considered."

About NAB

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